

COMMUNITY UPDATE

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

Update on Confirmation of Cleanup of Riverside Agricultural Park

Para información en español por favor comuníquese con Jesus Cruz al número (916) 255-3315.

Why This Notice? Our agency, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), provided lead regulatory oversight on the removal of soil contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) at the Riverside Agricultural Park site, located at 7020 Crest Avenue in the city of Riverside. DTSC is a department within the California Environmental Protection Agency, and is responsible for overseeing environmental investigation and cleanup activities at sites such as Riverside Agricultural Park. The site is a vacant parcel of land bordered by Crest Avenue, Rutland Avenue and the Santa Ana River and is currently planned for residential development. Due to a high level of community interest and concern, DTSC collaborated with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) to confirm whether the site was cleaned up adequately, and whether the site continues to remain safe for neighbors and future workers and homeowners.

This past August, DTSC informed you about environmental sampling activities that were planned. These sampling activities, completed in September, confirmed the property remains safe. However, due to differences in DTSC and US EPA sampling results, as well as two areas with PCB levels that were higher than previously sampled, additional sampling was conducted again on November 2nd and 3rd. While the additional sampling was being conducted, you may have noticed vehicles and people at the site. DTSC will send out another community notice to share the results of this additional sampling once the analysis is complete. Our goal is to ensure that nearby residents and interested community members are informed of information concerning the Riverside Agricultural Park. Accordingly, the sampling report is available online if you would like to learn more about the details.

Questions?

To access sampling documents online, go to [[HYPERLINK "http://www.EnviroStor.dtsc.ca.gov"](http://www.EnviroStor.dtsc.ca.gov)] or contact Maryam Tasnif-Abbasi, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630-4732, or via e-mail at [[HYPERLINK "mailto:Maryam.Tasnif-Abbasi@dtsc.ca.gov"](mailto:Maryam.Tasnif-Abbasi@dtsc.ca.gov)].

For questions regarding the confirmation sampling, contact Maryam Tasnif-Abbasi as stated above.

For media inquiries, please contact your Tim Reese, DTSC Office of Communications, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-2828 or via e-mail at: [[HYPERLINK "mailto:Timothy.Reese@dtsc.ca.gov"](mailto:Timothy.Reese@dtsc.ca.gov)].

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For questions regarding your personal health, please contact your personal physician. If you do have access to healthcare, please contact Riverside Community Connect 1-800-464-1123.

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